

## Water Conservation Tips



Rain barrels collect the rainwater from your gutters. The water can be reused to water your gardens and landscapes.



When washing your hands, keep the tap turned off while lathering. Turn the tap off while brushing your teeth or shaving, whether in the shower or at the sink.



If you are washing dishes by hand, fill one sink for wash water and the other for rinse water.



Weed your lawn/garden on a regular basis. Weeds like to compete with other plants for nutrients, light, and water.



While waiting for your water to turn hot, you can collect this running water to use for watering plants.



Instead of running the tap every time, pour water in a bowl and use for washing fruits/vegetables.



Choose a shower over a bath! The average tub will use about 35-50 gallons of water. A 10-minute shower with a low-flow shower head will use about 25 gallons of water.



If you notice an increase in your water bill, there could potentially be a leak in your plumbing.



Install low-flow shower heads! Flow rates are 5 gallons per minute for conventional shower heads, whereas low-flow shower heads will flow at 2.5 gallons per minute, or less.



Check your taps! On average, a drippy tap that drips at the rate of one drip per second can waste more than 3,000 gallons per year.